

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants:	H. ITO	Confirmation No.: 3747
Serial No.:	10/617,689	
Filed:	July 14, 2003	
For:	AN INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS FOR CONCEALING THE IDENTITY OF INTERNET PROTOCOL ADDRESSES (as amended)	
Group:	2455	
Examiner:	S. Ismail	

**AMENDMENT**

**MS: Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 12, 2010

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 14, 2009, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 14, 2010, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.